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VIA ECF Honorable Alison J. Nathan United States District Judge Southern District of New York 40 Foley Square New York, New York 10007

Re: *Alberto v. Morales, et al.* 15 cv 9449

Dear Judge Nathan:

I am an Assistant District Attorney in the Special Litigation Bureau of the New York County District Attorney's Office ("DANY") and I represent District Attorney Cyrus R. Vance, Jr., Assistant District Attorneys Fionnuala O'Doherty and Mireille Dee and DANY, defendants in the above-captioned matter. I am writing in regards to the initial pretrial conference scheduled by the Court and the assignment of this case to a mediator under the 1983 Plan. As the Court may be aware, on March 15, 2016 I filed and served a motion seeking dismissal of all claims against my clients, which, if granted, would result in their removal from this case. Under the 1983 Plan, a motion to dismiss by any defendant automatically stays discovery with respect that defendant. See, 83.10 §(3) ["If any defendant moves to dismiss the entire complaint rather than filing an answer, the deadlines in this Rule shall be stayed unless the Court orders otherwise."]

Accordingly, I am not planning to participate in discovery or in the mediation, unless the Court interprets the Plan otherwise in which case I respectfully request the opportunity to formally move for a stay.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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